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- 1. REGFISHATT HAS DISCUSSED CONTENTS REF TELEGRAM WITH JFA COUNCILLOR KUNIO YONEZAWA. YONEZAWA STATES THAT GOJ DOES NOT HAVE INTEREST IN NEW JAPANESE WHALING CORPORATION AND THAT IMPERIAL FAMILY DOES NOT HAVE INTEREST IN THREE HOGEI COMPANIES.
- 2. CANADIAN OFFICIAL REFERRED TO IN REF TELEGRAM MAY HAVE BEEN CONFUSED BY EARLIER EFFORTS OF EXISTING WHALING FIRMS TO BRING GOJ INTO PARTNERSHIP IN NEW FIRM. GOJ HAS RESISTED SUCH INDUSTRY EFFORTS.
- 3. AT THIS TIME YONEZAWA OF VIEW THAT FOUR FLEETS WILL GO TO ANTARCTICE WITH ONE FLEET TO TAKE ONLY MINKE WHALES. HOWEVER, HE INDICATES THAT A FINAL DECISION ON THIS MATTER HAS NOT BEEN MADE. PURPOSE OF REDUCTION OF CATCHERBOATS IS NOT FOR CONSERVATION PURPOSES SINCE CONSERVATION ISSUE RESOLVED BY IWC QUOTA AND GOJ ADHERENC E

TO THAT QUOTA. REDUCTION IS A MATTER OF ECONOMICS BASED UPON LOWER ALLOWABLE CATCH.

4. YONEZAWA INDICATED THAT WHEN FURTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON NUMBER OF FLEETS HE WILL CONTACT REGFISHATT. HODGSON UNCLASSIFIED

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